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PATENT

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In re Application of:
P. Van Voris et al

Group Art Unit: 1616

Serial No.: 08/771,467

Examiner: N. Levy

Filed: December 20, 1996

Atty. Docket No.: 47309-00025USC1

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR
PROTECTION OF WOODEN
OBJECTS PROXIMATE SOIL
FROM PEST INVASION

AMENDMENT

Box Fee Amendment
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Assistant Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed March 5, 2001, for which the three-month date for response was June 5, 2001. Applicants have enclosed a petition for extension of time to extend the period for response to the Office Action mailed March 5, 2001 three (3) months, from June 5, 2001 to September 5, 2001.

In the above identified application, please amend the above application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 10 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- When a carrier is added, it has been found that simply adding the carrier to a mix of pesticide and pre-polymer results in poor formability of the controlled release device and